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Applicant's Reply Brief of 17 August 2001 has been received and has been noted by the Examiner. The discussion as to the word "rifle" in the Examiner's Answer is merely a response to the admission by Applicant on lines 9-10 of page 8 of Applicant's Appeal Brief as to surrendered subject matter. The discussion in the Examiner's Answer was in no way an attempt to introduce a new ground of rejection. The examiner was merely using the ordinary meaning of the word "rifle" in American English. No further comment on the Reply Brief is considered necessary.

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